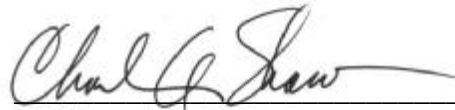


¹ Michael J. Astrue became the Commissioner of Social Security on February 12, 2007. Pursuant to Rule 25(d)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Michael J. Astrue should be substituted, therefore, for Commissioner Jo Anne B. Barnhart as Defendant in this suit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the decision of the Commissioner denying plaintiff's application for disability insurance benefits under Title II of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 401, et seq., is **AFFIRMED**.

An appropriate judgment will accompany this order.


CHARLES A. SHAW
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated this 19th day of March, 2007.